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Oscar Kirkham's Sermon Highlights

Oscar Kirkham was a busy man at the Oakland Stake Quarterly Conference, June 26 and 27, 1948, He was called on for remarks at the Saturday night leadership meeting, at the Sunday meetings at 10 a. m., 1 p.m., (stake missionaries), and MIA Boards, KRE

broadcast at 6:00 p.m., and the Fireside meeting at 7 p.m.

"A girl convert said that visiting a LDS home and seeing Mormonism in action there was the greatest testimony to her of the truth of our teachings. The world wants the Truth. You have it. Live it. There is nothing so important as beautiful homelife. The Gospel doesn't deprive us of anything; it adds to everything . . . .

"At the temple, walking around the grounds, I came upon a couple kissing. They saw that I had seen them, and called me over, and the young man said, 'I have just received this girl's promise in marriage, and we were sealing it with a kiss here because we have both planned our temple marriage in this temple.' There I saw also a mother having her sixteen year old son sealed to her, and then saw her turn and take that son in her arms and say 'Now you are mine for all eternity.' . . . .

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Pittsburg Youths Win Distinction

Worthy of noting are the outstanding achievements of four of the young people of Pittsburg Ward. Only a few of their many accomplishments are mentioned here.

Harold Simons, a recent graduate of the Pittsburg high school, was voted by his class as the "most likely to succeed" and was chosen to give an address at the commencement exercises of his class. He was presented with a pin denoting his membership in the Pittsburg Honor Society, a permanent honor due to his high scholastic standing. Harold will attend the University of California in the Fall. He is a member of the priests' quorum and active in all phases of church activity.

Also recognized at the conclusion of the past school year is Mary Simons, sister to Harold. She was chosen as Sophomore Medalist as a result of scholastic standing—the highest in her class by the way. Mary is busy with her work in the church also, being Primary Organist and secretary of the Ward choir.

Another Simons family member is Calvin, who recently was awarded the La Verne Noyes Scholarship at the University of California. This scholarship is largely based on scholastic achievement, and is a real mark

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Oakland Stake Conference Briefs

"We had hoped to have our stake Tabernacle built by this time. Other things have delayed construction. Now a letter from the First Presidency recommends because of the extremely high costs of building that new church buildings and large repairs be not started at this time."—President Eugene Hilton.

"The immediate need now is for funds and volunteer labor to erect the canning building at the Stake Welfare Center. The August Fast Day will be set aside for aid to this purpose to secure funds over and above the regular amounts usually realized on fast Sunday." Pres. Hilton.

"The power of prayer is greater than the power of the greatest battleship's motors, and prayer has saved cities. There is nothing that can equal the beauty and power of family prayer."—Pres. Amgus Norberg.

"Learn wisdom in thy youth. The Church has several aids to accomplish this: general influence and priesthood. Develop character, industry, thrift, faith, determination and other virtues for they will become invaluable assets regardless of vocations. Triumph of an evil idea, enslaves the soul, not just the body. Parents should avoid bringing up an over-endulg-

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Flash, Berkeley Stake Presidency

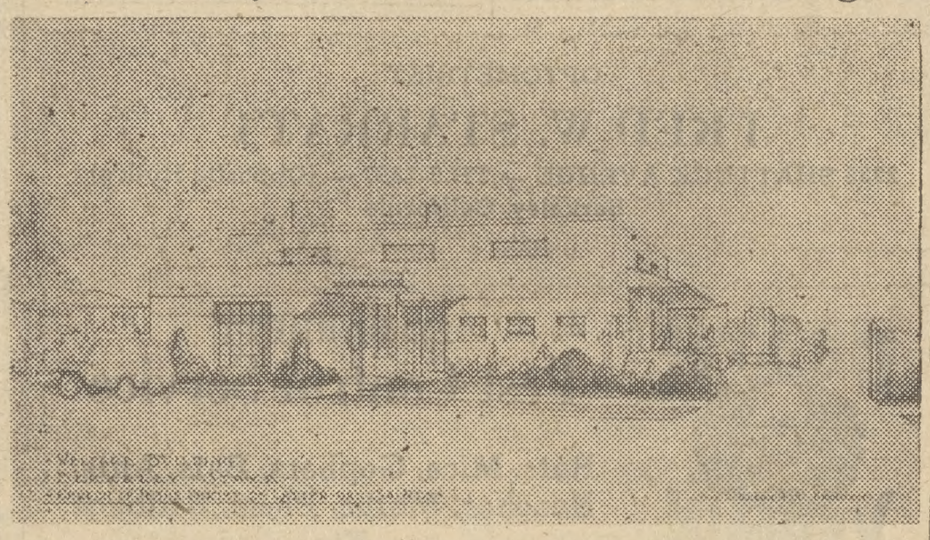
(FROM THE OFFICE OF BERKELEY STAKE PRESIDENCY)

On Saturday, June 25, as the setting sun silenced the roaring motors of the tractors and trucks, and the staccato of the jack hammers, Dormitory D 1600 became history.

As one stands in the vacant space recently occupied by D 1600, he needs only to look to the right or left at Dormitories D 1700 and D 1800, to realize what can be accomplished when good men work together in a common cause. A job well done! Yet this is only the first phase of the job at hand. Like John Paul Jones, "We have just begun to fight." At San Pablo and Fink Lane is a site which is covered with salvaged material and new building blocks. There is also a yawning basement excavation ready to receive the foundation for the Berkeley Stake Welfare Building.

Starting June 28, we will become builders instead of wreckers. Each man or boy who works on this project will be building a monument to himself founded upon unselfish, gratuitous labor. Avail yourself of this opportunity to join with your brothers in the Priesthood to erect this edifice, of which you will be justly proud.

Berkeley Stake Welfare Building



As shown by the architect's drawing, the building has been designed on simple, clean, modern lines entirely expressive of its utilitarian purpose.

The exterior will be of fireproof construction. Floors generally, cement finish on concrete, except wood floors in the Relief Society Work Room and the storage mezzanine.

The main floor, on two levels, will have a Bishop's store; two refrigerated storage rooms; a general receiving, delivery, storage and work room; Relief Society work room and adjacent equipment storage room; and a well equipped cannery. A partial basement will provide some cool underground storage space and house the steam boiler. A partial mezzanine will provide 1100 sq. feet of storage area, and part of the attic will yield additional space for storing empty cans. Space is provided for a freight elevator to be installed at some future time. A covered receiving and loading platform on the west side is adjacent to a large paved yard for trucking and general outdoor work.

The front of the building will face Fink Lane just off San Pablo avenue in El Serrito.

The Church general Welfare committee have limited their participation to a total cost of $44,000 for the complete building without elevator or canning equipment. It was stated that this will be one of the largest and costliest Stake Conference buildings in the Church.

Theo. G. Ruegg, Berkeley ward, who has designated so many beautiful LDS chapels in the local stakes and mission, is the architect.

Hey, Everybody! Apricots Are Ripe

Again Pittsburg ward sends out the glad news that their apricot crop in Brentwood is ready for picking. This year the harvest began Saturday, July 3, when a score of east bay members filled their boxes, and will run until about July 17, but will be at the best midway of that period.

Pittsburg ward has again leased the orchard from the government, the orchard being still a part of the Los Nogales federal housing village at Brentwood, and is offering our members the privilege of picking their own fruit for the price of 3 cents per pound. Ladders and buckets are furnished free, but members should take their own boxes. Of course, if anyone feels like leaving a share of picked fruit for the ward to sell or dry, that will also be welcomed but it not required.

An LDS family, the Eplings, lives at cottage 192 in Los Nogales Village, so all that is necessary is for one to drive to Brentwood, then ask for directions to the Los Nogales Village, then turn in where the sign gives the name, "Los Nogales" and points to the managers office, drive to the Eplings at 192 and ask directions to the drive in at the adjoining orchard. As you come out, weigh in at the Epling cottage.

Saturday, July 3, George Bain, I. B. Ball, the Don Woods, the Elwood Merediths, Owen Walton, Howard Bodily, the Earl Olsens, the Dell Carmans, Bishop Wightman and many others picked their apricot supply for the season at Brentwood and had a lot of fun doing it, too.

Grand Two-Stake Celebration July 24 Set For Indian Camp At Tilden Park

With a full program of sports, games and contests, family lunches and fireside pioneer program, the big two-stake celebration of July 24, 1948, by the Berkeley and Oakland stakes will be enjoyed by throngs of happy east bay colony members in Tilden park beginning at 2:00 p.m. sharp.

Featured for the afternoon will be games and contests for all ages boys, girls, men and women, including softball, volley ball, football and horse shoe pitching, foot races of all sorts and a grand tug-of-war.

When appetites are at their keenest, family baskets will be opened at the convenient tables for the evening picnic repast and friendly visits, after which the great bonfire will come ablaze and, as the evening shadows begin to gather, the fun and entertainment feast for all will begin about the crackling logs.

Included in the fireside stunts will be a pioneer program arranged and presented by the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers. Pioneer costumes will be in order at this part of the day's festivities, culminating in the awarding of first, second and third prizes for the most authentic male and female pioneer costume.

If any ward has arranged a program for this day, they are urged to contact Harold Gaisford ,so their talent may be joined with the general program.

The place: Indian Camp, Tilden park, Berkeley. Directions are very simple. Drive or ride to the head of Spruce street, Berkeley, to the park entrance and just as you enter the park, take the first turn to the left and go down the grade to Indian Camp directly at the end of the grade. Can be reached by bus easily because the camp is only a few blocks walk from the end of the Spruce street bus; also plenty of parking space for automobiles.

Come early; bring your friends and all the family. Play, sing and enjoy yourself with fine friends in honoring the Utah Pioneers of 1847.

Bishop T. Winkel

When Bishop Thys Winkel of Alameda ward finished bearing his testimony in Conference in Richfield, Utah, returning from his mission, an elderly sister came to him and said: "That testimony is worth more than a million dollars to you." He frequently refers

to that incident and has always felt extremely appreciative and thankful for his knowledge and understanding of the Gospel.

In the Henry Winkel, Sr., family there were ten children. Thys therefore was no novelty. There was a chore or two for him as soon as he could walk. By the time he was eleven there was a paper route to maintain, and he was also assistant operator in the local movie house. He went to school on the "side" during these formative years. At 17 Thys was called to the Netherlands Mission where he remained for 31 months. At age 22 he was selected as a bishop's counsellor in the Center Ward at Manti, Utah.

In 1927 Bishop Winkel married his attractive sweetheart of several years, Miss Reba Peterson, of Glenwood, Utah. They have two living children: Val 16 and Thomas Ray 11; their first child died at birth.

One of Bishop Winkel's associates, undertaking to explain what makes him tick, said: "He always sees a thing whole, never starts building just a fragment. Better than anyone I know, he exemplifies the ability to get the right man for the right job and to get the most out of helpers. The job he starts gets finished quickly because of his skill in keeping people enthusiastic over their work."

Bishop Winkel is a theatre exhibitor, operating the Rio in Rodeo, California, and having an interest in the Pix, East Oakland. He has several other business interests.

Uppermost in his mind is service to the Church. This has been well demonstrated in the years we have known him in the Bay area assuming the position as Bishop's counselor, servicemen's supervisor, high council member, and now Bishop of the Alameda ward.

Alameda ward under Bishop Winkel, is currently busily and happily engaged in erecting one of the most beautiful chapels in the bay region—the Alameda chapel.

Unheard, because our ears are dull,
Unseen because our eyes are dim,
He walks the earth, the Wonderful,
And all good deeds are done to Him.

—John G. Whittier.

ELDER BLISS IN THE NEWS

The May 22, 1948, issue of The Standard Times, New Bedford, Mass., carries a fine large picture of Elder Richard Bliss of Oakland ward and his missionary companion laboring in that city. A clear, kindly, newsy column also tells of the new assignment of these two young Mormon Elders, their backgrounds and life stories so far, and the summer work without purse or script that is contemplated.

All in all the article reflects the favorable impression our clean, intelligent, devoted young products of the Church of Jesus Christ of LDS are making for the Church wherever they go. Where can training equal to this be found for soul development, and for a great testimony to the nation for finer living that is the Gospel.

Call For Ship Brooklyn and Mormon Battalion Descendants

Leo J. Muir writes that his 650-page book on LDS in California is nine-tenths completed, part of it being at the Deseret News Press now, but that he fears that he may unwittingly omit names of some people who have descended from the Ship Brooklyn party or from the Mormon Battalion members.

Therefore, will all concerned in the matter mentioned above please communicate with Leo J. Muir at 1340 West 29th Street, Los Angeles, at the earliest possible moment. Kindly spread the news abroad of this call. ..This monumental work is covering the whole state of California as far as possible, and will be of the greatest historic value for long periods to come. We would like to encourage all who have LDS historic material suitable to the purpose of the volume in all its phases to write to Elder Muir.

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he will prepare my way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple." Mal. 3:1.

Dimond Ward

We will miss Lee and Armis Ashby who have moved to Los Angeles and hope they will be back among us soon. We are sorry to see Florence and Gail Cragun move to Vallejo. Come back and see us often, Florence and Gail.

Congratulations are in order for Betty Clark who graduated from the BYU and Joe Roy Hilton, who graduated from the University of California, in June.

We are happy to congratulate Winnifred Phelps and John Spuhler on their June wedding. They went through the Logan Temple and were sealed in the Idaho Falls Temple.

Louis Boyle is recovering from a recent knee operation. We hope recovery is quick and complete.

Former Dimond ward members visiting relatives and friends here recently are the Roy Loe family from Oregon and Leonore Barber and her two youngest sons from Salt Lake City.

Bob Smith has gone to Indianapolis, Indiana, to attend a Smith reunion. He was able to gather a great deal of geneology from close and distant relatives. His wife, Marilyn, will meet him in Salt Lake where they will go through the Temple and enjoy a short vacation.

Primary will be held on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 during the summer vacation.

We want to express our sympathy to Sister Eddington and her family on the recent death of her mother.

It is nice to see all the young people home from the BYU.

The new Bishopric was set apart on conference Sunday by Apostle Mark Peterson, who stopped on his way from another meeting in Sacramento.

—JOYCE HILTON, KE. 2-5217.

Hayward Ward

Sister Bertha La Pray took a flying trip to Salt Lake City to the bedside of her sick father. We are glad to report him better, and her home again.

Margaret, the daughter of Frank and Merna Webb, was married to Bob Johnson by Bishop W. T. Webb, June 15, in his home .The young couple will make their home in Hayward.

The Fireside group under the leadership of Movel Day is planning a three-day trip to Harmony Hills near San Juan Batista where a colony of young east bay couples have established a cooperative housing project on a large area most of which is good for camping, and is near a fine state park the road to which runs through Harmony Hills.

The ward choir paused in their serious practicing Thursday, June 24, long enough to enjoy a little party among themselves. Hot dogs and marshmallows were roasted in the fireplace following a series of games. Everyone was able to enjoy themselves with the possible exception of Chorister Harold Wiseman who had dropped a "jigger" on his foot while at work.

We learn that Naomi Bodily is visiting in Utah.

✣ There has been a lighehouse on the southernmost of the Farallon Islands since 1855.

The Art of Making Bread At Home

VERA MAHEW.

There is no other food that is eaten so consistently day after day as bread. Upon its quality depends our meal enjoyment; yet too many of us carry home a paper-wrapped, ready-sliced loaf of chaf and palm it off on our families as the "staff of life." Actually no part of homemaking is more rewarding than breadmaking. When you take.. fragrant,.. crusty.. b r o w n loaves out of the oven you have a sense of uplift that is the gift of the creative artist.

We are likely to think of breadmaking as a time-consuming task. It is true that the elapsed time from the beginning of mixing to taking the completed loaves from the oven is several hours, yet the working time is only a few minutes. Between times you can read or sew or do your nails. ....

....If you are afraid of the word, "knead," try one of the no-kneed recipes to begin with. They make truly excellent bread.

Here are two recipes using all-wheat flour, and one recipe that uses half whole-wheat and half white. Unbleached white flour can be found at some health food stores.

WHOLE WHEAT BREAD

(Produces a coarse, dark, compact loaf, made without kneading):

Combine: 6 c. whole wheat flour; ¼ c. sugar; 1½ tsp. salt.

Dissolve: 1 cake of yeast in ½ c. of water and add it to 2½ cups more lukewarm water. Make a hole in the center of the dry ingredients and stir in the liquid. Stir just until well blended. Cover and let rise in a warm room until it has doubled in bulk (about 1½ hours). Place in 2 greased 5x10 inch pans and put in a warm place until it has doubled in bulk. Bake in a hot oven 400 F. until it begins to brown. Reduce to 350 and bake until well browned. About 1 hour in all.

WHOLE WHEAT BREAD

A lighter, rounder loaf but still made entirely with whole wheat:

2 cups milk.
1/3 cup honey.
4 tsp. salt.
1 yeast cake.
2 cups lukewarm water.
10 cups whole wheat flour.
1/3 cup melted shortening.

Scald milk, add honey and salt, cool to lukewarm. Dissolve the yeast in lukewarm water and add to lukewarm milk. Add half the flour and beat for five to ten minutes with the electric mixer or with fast, sure strokes with a spoon, by hand. Add melted shortening and remaining flour. Mix just enough to get the flour in. The early beating develops the gluten and makes a loaf that is almost as rounded and light as white bread. Cover and let rise until doubled in bulk. Knead lightly and cover on the mixing board for about forty minutes, divide into three or four pieces and shape lightly into loaves. Do not mix the air out at this time. Place in greased pans and allow to raise about a half hour longer. Bake in 375 F. oven for about one hour.

There is one thing to remember when using yeast. It doesn't like heat—only lukewarm.

GRAHAM BREAD

(The part white flour recipe.)

Dissolve 1 yeast cake in ¼ cup lukewarm water.

Add 1 1/3 c. lukewarm water.
¼ cup brown sugar.
2 tbls. melted shortening.

Combine: 2 cups graham flour; 2 cups sifted white flour (unbleached); 1 tsp. salt.

Stir the liquid into the sifted ingerdients, cover the bowl with a cloth and let it double in bulk. Bake in 350 degree oven until done. Two small loaves 3x7 will take 40 minutes, one large one an hour or more.

You can find any number of recipes and go on from here until you become an expert on yeast breads. You will be rewarded!

San Leandro Ward

The San Leandro ward is growing—growing in enthusiasm, spirituality and interest, as well as number.

The newest arrivals to our ward are: Reid Bickpell Lesser, 9 lbs. 4 oz., baby boy, son of Ruby and Reid Lesser, and a dainty daughter, Diane, born to Vao and Gladys Cheney. Welcome and congratulations.

Something new has been added also to our Welfare project. The ward has invested in a pressure pump and hose. With the necessary irrigation and continued cooperation of our members, we are expecting the choicest of tomatoes, the tenderest of corn, and bigger and better beans.

The summer season of Primary is well underway and all children of Primary age are encouraged to attend and participate in the program capably planned for their enjoyment.

Mutual activities are not exclusively for the young. During June, everyone who attended the Mutual weiner roast had an exceptionally good time. We are looking forward to more of the same.

We have permission and are happy to announce the engagement of Mary Tensmeyer, daughter of Bro. and Sis. John D. Tensmeyer of Salt Lake City, Utah, to Herbert J. Marsh, son of Sister Catherine and the late Captain Herbert Marsh. The couple plan to marry in the early fall and will make their home in San Leandro. Mary is visiting at the Marsh home at present.

San Leandro's third missionary, Verla Sandstrom, is on her way to Norway. Verla has the background, the knowledge and the personality to make an outstanding missionary. We sincerely wish her the happiest two years of her life.

Misisonaries Milton Wells, Texas-Louisiana Mission, and Howard Marsh, Argentina Mission ,report success and real joy in the work they are doing. In their own words:

"It hardly seems as though it has been 11 months that I have been away but in that short time my testimony has truly been strengthened. I have learned that ours is more than just a religion—it is a way of life. I have learned to understand the gospel and to appreciate it for the wonderful blessings that are ours through obedience to its principles."
MILTON WELLS.

"We have been given much—the chance to live and progress in this 'Age of Stimulation'; the privilege of imbibing the bounties of life and sharing those bounties with our beloved families and friends, and the knowledge of the everlasting gospel. I am deeply thankful for all my many blessings, and my hope and prayer is to be able to fulfil the fulness of my calling. That our Heavenly Father will bless us for the edification of Zion is my constant prayer." —HOWARD J. MARSH.

The ward welcomes Catherine Marsh, our Messenger reporter, home from her wonderful six weeks' trip to see her sister, brother-in-law and niece, living near San Juan, Puerto Rico. She returned June 25, and was back at work June 28.

—Submitted by Verna Jackson.

Here and There

Harry Fletcher, patriarch of Oakland Stake, reports a letter recently from Alene Farnsworth giving encouraging information of the little group of LDS among the many Americans on that Pacific dot on the map.

The LDS branch there has now raised $750 and sent it to the Mexican Mission for the purpose of supporting a Mexican missionary in that mission, a sum that at the current exchange will suffice for about 14 months, they understand.

The Branch is also doing missionary work on Gaum among their fellow inactive members and others. Two baptisms are reported. Colonel Stewart, a very capable man, is a great help as leader of the priesthood class.

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July 1, Senator Elbert Thomas, brother of our "Ken," of the Berkeley stake H. C., addressed an open meeting of the World Affairs Council of Northern California. Senator Thomas is filling an assignment as the U. S. representative at the ILO sessions in San Francisco currently gaining so much newspaper coverage.

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The Maxwell ward slogan for fund raising for their hoped-for May, 1949, chapel completion, runs, "Your dollar today will be a chapel in May."

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The Weindorf dry cleaning establishment is movin ginto their new building recently erected by Carl Decker, Oakland ward contractor.

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At a recent ward leadership meeting in Pittsburg it was unanimously decided that members riding with anyone else to Berkeley or other points in the stake in order to participate in stake meetings or activities should pay the driver 50 cents.

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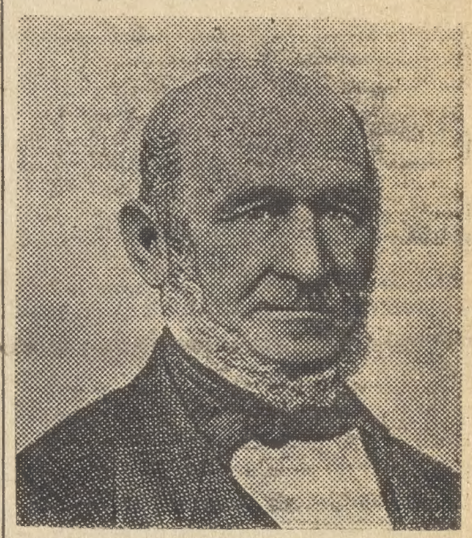
The Pittsburgh Courier reports that in Pittsburg ward 36 percent of the year's assessment for the stake building fund has been paid, and 37 per cent of the ward maintenance fund. The fiscal year ends on September 30.

Heber C. Kimball

One of God's great noblemen was Heber Chace Kimball. Simple living and high thinking marked the fruitful life of this Utah Pioneer leader.

He was a poet by nature, a John-like Apostle in the first



Quorum of Twelve, a prophet possessing marvelous power to predict the future.

His faith was like adamant under his feet, and bore him up thru quagmires of sorrows and swamps of persecution. To his enlightened soul God was always near and heaven not a far country. His testimony of Jesus Christ was clear as the sun, warm, tender, and passionate yet practical.

A counselor to President Young, Heber C. Kimball was a member of the first band of Utah pioneers who entered the Salt Lake Valley July 24, one hundred one years ago. His life thence became one of empire building, and that of extending and strengthening the stakes of Zion.

He fathered one of Utah's famous large families. His wives were women of character. His children were honorable citizens and today are represented in the Church by the thousands.

After the spiritual Pentecost upon the Saints and the first Twelve Apostles in Kirtkand, before and at the time of the dedication of the Kirtland Temple, the Church passed thru a fiery trial of apostacy stemming from the failure of the Kirtland bank and other financial difficulties.

It was at the time of gross darkness that the Prophet Joseph received the inspiration and called Heber C. Kimball to head a mission to Great Britain.

He and others of the leaders in England at that time mounted over almost insuperable difficulties from man and the evil spirits and set in motion the mighty migration of Saints from the British Isles that then saved the Church from near failure and that since has fed the river of Zion like the Missouri river feeds the Mississippi.

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The Child Who Was Left Out

(A story told by Archibald E. Bennett, Genealogist Secretary, at the Berkeley-Oakland Joint Stake Genealogy Convention, May 16, 1948.)

In the years that I have been in this work there have been many testimonies come to me. I think I will just relate one experience to you.

When I was in England recently I looked up some of my mother's records and discovered I was descended from the Milton family, from the same family as the poet John Milton. So natuarlly, when I came back, I went down to the Index Bureau to check to see if his temple work had ever been done.

Now Milton in his life time had three wives, Four daughters and one one son were by the first wife; he had one little daughter that died in infancy by the second; no children by the third. His endowment work had been done; no other identification, just John Milton, the poet. That's a pretty good identification, though, because there's only one like that. Work had been done for some of his wives but none had been sealed----none of this great and glorious ordinance performed for him or any of his wives. John Milton, you don't need me to tell you, was inspired by the Lord to do wonderful things with the increase in faith, and yet here he was without a wife or child sealed to him.

I began looking through the records, and gathered the records of his family; and I have them here on sheets now. I sent them in to be checked. Here's the family group record of his parents; here he is with his son that died in infancy, John, and the three daughters. You have often read about those three daughters! but where is the second wife and little daughter who died in infancy? They seem to be forgotten about there—and the third wife.

I thought about that little child who had been left out when I was up in Elberta, Canada at the Cardston Temple two years ago. We went through the Temple with President Wood, and then in our convention I was saying to the people,"and when you compile records be sure you get everyone in the family--every child is important. You know it is sometimes worth turning over the page if by doing so you find two extra children. I know researchers who don't turn the page.

"So President Wood", I said, will you tell the experience you had when in the Sealing Room some years ago?"

President Wood said, "I had a big excursion here from the north-western states at that time, and among them were one woman who helped her. And of course they put down the names of the children they knew and that she told them about, and, "he said," I began to perform the sealing. Suddenly I stopped and said, 'Sister, does this record contain the the names of all your children?' She said, 'Yes, President Wood." He said, "I began again but I had to stop and I said, 'Are you sure that they are all here? And she began to be annoyed and said, 'Why yes, President Wood. All of them.' And the third time I was halted and said, 'Sister, wasn't there a little child? "And he said, "The tears rolled down her cheeks and she said, 'Oh, President Wood, forgive me. There was a little child and in the hurry of getting ready, (of course the Elders never knew about it) I completely forgot. Forgive me.' 'But we'll just discontinue the sealing here until you get your record corrected and then come back this afternoon and we'll perform that sealing.' I couldn't go on because every time I attempted to perform that sealing I heard a voice speak and say, 'Don't leave me out. I'm her child, too."

(How vivid all our temple work becomes, how vital to human redemption, in the light of this manifestation to President Wood in the temple at Cardston! "Don't leave me out," might stand for the plea of each of your dear departed dead. Are you, am I, " leaving them out" because of our needles and heedless neglect? Why cannot you and I now take heart , and make a start or go forward again with added devotion?— Editor).

Berkeley Ward

Now that school is out, we are very happy to welcome home Dawna Ericksen, Carolyn Johnson, Eunice and Merrilyn Harmon, and George Sorensen home. They have been attending the BYU. Joyce Taylor, Joanne Gardner and Laura Summerhays have also returned from the University of Utah. Laura's parents went out to bring her back, and Joyce's fiance came back with her for a few days.

Cliff Boyack of that Stake MIA presidency, is again in charge of the Berkeley Community camp at Casadero this summer. Among his assistants this summer are George Sorenson, Joan Hickman, Barbara Green and Gwen Sparks. They will have a good vacation and get paid for it too.

June is the month of weddings, and Berkeley ward has its share of them. On Saturday, June 26, at the Little Chapel of the Flowers in Berkeley, Barbara Lee Smith became the bride of Jim Bragg of Claremont. Friends of Saralou Tolman and George McClellan were surprised to learn that they were married June 12 at Reno. Elizabeth Monson, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. P. Monson, is to become the bride of John Wiskocil July 12, in a home ceremony.

Summer Primary began June 16 at 2:00; all children of Primary age are invited to come and bring their friends. A good time is promised for everyone this summer.

Summer Fireside began June 13, at which meeting Eunice Harmon was elected girls' president and Carolyn Johnson girls' secretary. They promise a fine summer program to all who are interested.

Relief Society will hold work meetings on the second Tuesday of the month throughout the summer. All are invited to come and help.

The Kenneth Sidwells are moving out of the ward to San Francisco where they have located a house near his work. Jeanne has been a very loyal worker in the Relief Society and MIA. We'll really miss her. We wish you happiness in your new home. Ken and Jeanne. —Rose Marie Dunham, Ashbury 3-3448.

Claremont Ward

Tuesday, July 13, will be the first meeting of the summer sessions of Claremont Ward Relief Society. The meeting will begin at ten o'clock a.m., and we are desirous of having a large group in attendance.

Remember that Mutual still convenes at 7:30 p.m., on the third Tuesday of the summer months! A varied program to interest all age groups has been planned.

Come out to Live Oak Park on Thursday evenings for a game of volleyball, sponsored by the Claremont MIA. Everyone is invited.

Members of our ward away on vacation include Mr. and Mrs. Earl Meine, Lilly Blackburn, Courtland and Anita Hancock, Vincent and Calvin Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Var Millward.

Don C. Woods, Jr., has just returned from England where he has served as a missionary. We are happy to welcome you home, Don, and we are looking forward to having you in our ward activities once more.

Claremont ward needs $1,000.00 to make our quota for stake and ward building funds. Remember we are the first on the list for a new chapel. Your Bishopric and finance chairman urge 100 per cent cooperation in this most important and worthy cause—please meet your needs.

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We believe in God the Eternal Father, and in His Son Jesus Christ, and in the Holy Ghost.

We believe that men will be punished for their own sins, and not for Adam's transgression.

We believe that through the atonement of Christ, all men may be saved by obedience to the laws and ordinances of the Gospel.

We believe that these ordinances are: First, Faith in God and the Lord Jesus Christ; Second, Repentance; Third, Baptism by immersion for the remission of sins; Fourth, Laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost; Fifth, We believe in the Resurrection of the Body; that the dead in Christ will arise first, and the rest of the dead will not live again until the thousand years are expired; Sixth, We believe in the doctrine of Eternal Judgment, which provides that men shall be judged, rewarded, or punished, according to the degree of good, or evil, they shall have done.

We believe that a man must be called of God, and ordained by the laying on of hands of those who are in authority, to entitle them to preach the Gospel and administer in the ordinances thereof.

We believe in the same kind of organization that existed in the primitive church, viz: Apostles, Prophets, Pastors, Teachers, Evangelists, etc.

We believe that in the Bible is contained the word of God, so far as it is translated correctly. We believe that the canon of scripture is not full, but that God, by his Spirit, will continue to reveal His word to man until the end of time.

We believe in the powers and gifts of the everlasting Gospel, viz: the gift of faith, discerning of spirits, prophecy, revelation, healing, visions, tongues and the interpretation of tongues, wisdom, charity, brotherly love, etc.

We believe that marriage is ordained of God; and that the law of God provides for but one companion in wedlock, for either man or woman, except in cases where the contract of marriage is broken by death or transgression.

We believe that the doctrines of a plurality and a community of wives are heresies, and are opposed to the law of God.

We believe that the religion of Jesus Christ, as taught in the New Testament Scriptures will, if its precepts are accepted and obeyed, make men and women better in the domestic circle, and better citizens of town, county and state, and consequently better fitted for the change which cometh at death.

We believe that men should worship God in "Spirit and in truth"; and that such worship does not require a violation of the constitutional law of the land.

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Alameda Ward

Our younger set have achieved again. We are proud that the Fireside group gave such an outstanding Hawaiian dance that they were asked to repeat the exhibit dance. Later the dancers and Larene Powell ,the director were given a lovely lawn party by LuRilda Seavers, Y. L. president.

Out of the 305 students, Caroline Durham, daughter of the John R. Durhams, was honor student at the graduation exercises at the Alameda high school. Caroline was on the Acorn editorial staff and took part in two operas. She is now registered for the fall term at Pomona college in Claremont.

Little Mark Lynn Seavers was born June 16 to Mr. and Mrs. Delmont Seavers.

This is the third month of work on the ward chapel. The steel girders are up so that the roof is the next step—really fast progress with the Wendel Jensens in Yellowstone, the Howard Dunns in Utah, the Reed Schows in Yosemite, the Beebes in San Diego, the Alma Thompsons in Utah. Tommy and Linda Winkel in Utah, and others scattered hither and yon. It should be added that if you are planning to give cash or working time on the chapel you had better do it now. Opportunity waits for no one.

We have welcomed several stake visitors to our ward meetings lately. Extra encouragement came when Presidents Harmon and Ranker from Berkeley stake and others have by words and smiles encouraged us onward after looking over the progress made thus far.

The ward has had considerable serious sickness, and some operations. Clare Hunt is now on crutches after having a plastic cap put on his hip to relieve a lingering ailment caused by an explosion at his work during the war. Ma Ree Meuter is her cheerful self again after a serious operation, and Rhea Gustaveson is again as ever after her accident. Oscar Fontana is looking better; he said he could not sleep for three nights troubled over Sister Fontana's possible leg amputation. But after many doctors' consultations, and a blessing by the priesthood, the blood is again circulating in the leg and foot. The doctor says no operation now. Ivy Carlin was poisoned by a drug given her in medication, and almost left us. We are most happy to have her recovering.

Warren Claire Morgan at last is back home after service in the war, including internment in a prison camp followed by hospitalization for two years. Since January he has been away attending San Jose Junior College. Paul and Thelma Jenkel are greatly missed by their many friends since they moved to Salt Lake. Everyone will learn with pleasure that Thelma is improved in health.

June 30 W. Glen Harmon edified us with a travel talk and pictures covering his recent trip to Central America. The entire S. S. are indebted to him for this educational hour.

Stake YLMMIA president, Rhea Gustaveson, attended the June MIA conference in Salt Lake City. She gave us a report Sunday, July 4.

June Christensen is now attending Leadership Week at BYU, after having attended the June conference representing the Beekeepers of the stake.

Oakland Ward

After many years in Oakland ward, Bro. Richard and Sister Leona Schnenman and son, Grant, have bid farewell to their friends as they have moved to Ogden, Utah, to establish their new home. We all wish them success and happiness in their new quarters and want them to know we shall miss them.

Brother and Sister Peter Eastern have been telling of their enjoyable and pleasant journey they had in accompanying their son, Wilford and Leone Harper, to the Salt Lake Temple to be married. Leone and Wilford will make their new home here in Oakland and we wish them happiness in their new venture.

We would like to mention the "New Look" in our chapel, and have everyone notice it. Our ward has been painted and cleaned in many places and does help the attractiveness of our ward.

Having purchased a new home in East Oakland, Brother Richard Pugmire and family have parted from our ward. Richard has had many interesting and exciting experiences in his life to date. He was sent on a Mission to Argentina, served three years in the Army Air Corps, studied at college in Southern California, majoring in foreign trade, and then moved to Oakland where his mother resides. Richard has been teaching our advanced senior group and it has been reported from his group that they have enjoyed his classes immensely. We regret losing Richard to another ward but know wherever he goes, he will be truly welcomed.

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Oak. Swarm Night Honors LDS Girls

At the Oakland Swarm Night program, there was one really outstanding achievement, the entire Guardian class of Dimond Ward graduated as Honor Bees as shown above. Seven of these girls have been together since graduating from Primary, the other two moved into the ward during the three years.

At the time the girls graduated from Primary, one of the mothers, Mrs. Eugene Hilton, gave a luncheon for them ,and then promised the girls another luncheon if they would all stay together and complete their three years as Honor Bees. Consequently, they recently had an especially lovely luncheon party at Sister Hilton's home. The names of the girls are, reading left to right: Janice Thomas, Rhea Wilcox, Deanne Cluff, Jeanine Clark, teacher Marjorie Brooks, Margaret Allen, Patricia Hilton, Allene Hunt, Rolaine Lancaster, Arlene Daybelle.

Oakland Stake M. I. A. News

The Oakland Stake Young Women's Mutual board is now completely organized, according to Rhea Gustaveson, president. New members include: Melda Springall of Hayward, publicity director; Ruth Nelson ,of San Leandro, Era director; Barbara Martin, drama leader; and Alva May Cook of Oakland ward, Junior Girls; Ruth Pingee of Dimond, Gleaner Activities, and Gladys Markham, camp director.

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Six members of the YWMIA board represented Oakland Stake at the recent Salt Lake City June conference: Rhea Gustaveson, president; Pearl Hatfield and Theresa Simms, her counselors; and Carma Stephens, Lucille Jeffries, and June Christensen. Carma Stephens and June Christensen are representing the stake at a two-week training institute being conducted at the BYU in Provo, Utah.

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Darrel Monson, Bill Graham and Alex Olszowka represented the Stake YMMIA at the conference. Also from this stake were 18 members of the Stake MIA choir which made up the largest California delegation.

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M MEN GLEANER CONVENTION

Representatives from Berkeley and Oakland MIA stakes who attended the sixth annual convention in Sacramento May 28-30, returned recently full of enthusiasm and praise for a fine convention.

Oakland Stake, which has the largest number in attendance of any stake except Sacramento, will be host to next year's convention.

Great Music Inspires Audience

One of the treats of the Oakland Stake Conference, June 27, was the musical program presented by the Oakland Stake choir, under the direction of Rodney Pocock. An added highlight Sunday evening was the choir and congregation's impressive singing of "Praise to the Man," in commemoration of the 104th anniversary of the martyrdom of the Prophet Joseph Smith.

The morning program included these numbers: Prelude: Prayer of Thanksgiving (Ancient Netherland Folk Song) by the choir with Gladys Olson at the organ; "Lead Me Lord," by Samuel Sebastian Wesley, and "Babylon's Wave," (137th Psalm), by C. F. Gonoud, sung by the choir; organ postlude by Gladys Olson.

Evening numbers included: organ prelude, Gladys Olson; "Send Out Thy Light," by Parks, sung by the choir with Wendell Martin, tenor soloist, Gladys Olson, organist; Dallas Pocock, pianist; "If With All Your Hearts," by Felix Mendelssohn, sung by the choir with Jane Boetes, soprano soloist, and organ postlude by Gladys Olson.

Other morning numbers by the choir and congregation included: "The Lord is My Light," "Lead Me Lord," "For the Strength of the Hills;" and evening numbers "The Joy and the Song," "The Spirit of God, Like a Fire is Burning."

Oakland Stake Presents Music, Dance Festivals

Oakland Stake's annual MIA music festival, featuring the Oakland Stake MIA choir, won praise from an appreciative audience at the Oakland ward, Tuesday, June 8.

Under the direction of Darrel J. Monson, and accompanied by Pearl Bliss ,the Stake MIA choir sang seven numbers, two of which were by stake writers: one number by Donna Phelps Bates and Esther England; the other by Darrel Monson. The Chansonette choir also sang two numbers. These two numbers and five of the stake choir's numbers were sung at the music festival during conference at Salt Lake City.

Blaine Wilson and Stake MIA superintendent, Tom Ferguson, sang a duet; Ernest Adams, Tom Ferguson, Darrel Monson and Blaine Wilson made up a quartette; and Violinist Donna Wall and Pianist Rollin Jense were featured instrumental soloists. Blaine and Ruth Wilson presented another duet number; and Helen and Newell Christensen gave a musical reading.

DANCE FESTIVAL

Highlights of Oakland Stake's MIA dance festival June 25 in the Oakland ward chapel were the Dutch numbers by the Oakland ward and the Hawaiian dances by the Alameda ward. Under the direction of Esther Paulsen, 15 MIA boys and girls worked out several excellent Hawaiian numbers in order to help make the dance festival a success.

Honors, Distinction For Paul Bastow

The June 10, 1948, issue of the Spartan Daily, San Jose college paper records the outstanding standards of scholarship maintained by Paul Gordon Bastow leading to his graduation from San Jose State this spring in the Industrial Arts course.

Paul stands first in his class, carrying off the "department honors' and earning in addition the title, "with distinction."

This fine record by our good friend Paul was before time indicated when three years ago he was at "Cal," and attending the noon-luncheon meetings of the "Deseret Club," then paving the way under the leadership of Dick Paul for the present LDS Institute at Berkeley.

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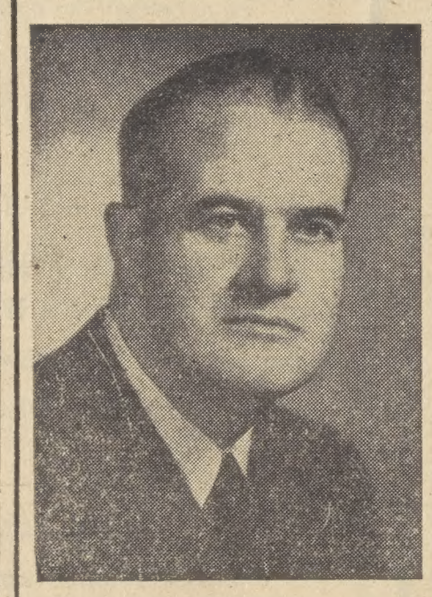
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Maxwell Pk. Ward

Our fast and testimony meeting in June was one of spiritual inspiration to all in attendance. Two new babys were blessed, and several children were confirmed. On this day Sister Katherine Beck, mother of our beloved Ivan J. Beck, was confirmed a member of the Church. She is 92 years of age, and until eight years ago the Becks knew nothing of the Gospel. At that time two of the lady missionaries contacted Brother Beck when tracting. He joined the church after a period of investigation. We have all been looking forward to the day when Sister Beck would be baptized, and now extend a sincere greeting of love to our new members.

Hazel and Bill Matheson, and their two daughters, Eleanor and Catherine, are leaving for Salt Lake City to go through the Temple for their own endowments and to have their children sealed to them for time and all eternity. Sister Estella Chibnall, mother of Sister Matheson, will accompany them to take out her endowments and do some temple work while there. This is the type of news we like to write about, and we all are very happy and rejoice with these good people in this wonderful work.

Glen and Mary Bennett were the guests of honor at a party, Tuesday, June 15. They have purchased a small farm in Placerville. We will miss them, and wish them success in their new venture.

The Clarence Bennett family have also moved from our ward to Southern California. This will mean we must all be on the alert for new members, and encourage those who have not been attending our meetings to come out.

We are still playing baseball on Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock, and have certainly had some good games. Everyone is invited to come out and participate.

George Aaron, our ward clerk, is our Maxwellite in the news this month. Born in Oklahoma, and a member of a fine Latter-day Saint family, he has three brothers and five sisters. The Aaron family moved to San Francisco 12 years ago, and at present, except George, live in Santa Rosa. George married Oreti Judson ten years ago. They have two fine sons and two lovely daughters. At our June fast meeting it was his pleasure to bless his youngest daughter, Melissa Lynn, born May 12, and confirm his oldest child, April, a member of the Church. We do appreciate having such fine families as the Aarons in our ward.

—MARJORIE HAWKINS, KE. 3-3864.

Carquinez Ward

June 6, the Primary Association held their graduation exercises. Graduation certificates were presented to Eddie Lewis, Walde Hardison and Sylvia Olsen. A Book of Mormon was given as an award for Jerry Hunter and Gerald Sorensen for their attendance record in Primary for the past year.

Sunday evening, May 30, was award night for the Girls' organization. Individual Certificates of Award were presenteded by Bishop Lowry to Lois Stewart, Vivian Sorensen, Faye Telford, Nora Hoye, and Patsy Hoye.

The Gospel Message class held a picnic at Blue Rock Springs, Friday, June 18. Enough members were present for two ball teams and rooters for each side.

The first advancement to the office of an Elder in our ward was for William Mathews. He was ordained May 30. Huston Halstead has been sustained as the assistant ward clerk. The district ward teacher supervisors have been appointed: they are Stanford Knight, Walter Duesnberry and Eugene Gantney.

Brother and Sister Harold Khuel's baby received a father's blessing and the name of David Harold, June 6. The grandparents of David on both sides and the great-grandparents on the father's side were in attendance at the meeting. Brother and Sister Franklin Bingham's baby received a blessing and the name of William Lee, in the same fast meeting.

The blessings and promises that come from beginning life together, for time and eternity, in a Temple of the Lord belong to Bill and Dorothy Mathews. Bill and Dorothy were married by President Smith of the Idaho Falls Temple Friday evening, June 18. Brother and Sister Harris witnessed the marriage of their daughter, and also did Temple work in the Idaho Falls and Salt Lake City Temple.

The next movie will be July 2, at 7:30.

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Oak. Stake News

FATHERS' AND SONS' OUTING

Fathers and Sons of Oakland Stake will hold an over-night outing in some scenic and breath-taking spot Friday and Saturday, August 6-7, according to Oakland Stake MIA counselor Leland Wright. Earl Larson and Abe Atwood, scouters, are helping with the plans which will include a top-flight program "under the stars" on Friday evening, outdoor cooking, and a morning service, as well as all kinds of outdoor recreation.

GLEANERS AND M MEN

Gleaner Girls and M Men of Oakland Stake have drawn up a calendar that includes:

Friday, July 9: Hayride and pot-luck dinner. Details will be announced by ward presidents.

July 16: A "backward" dance, to which is invited any fellow and gal interested. Sponsored by the M Men and Gleaners, the fellows will bring the box lunches, and the gals the money to bid on them.

July 31: Dance at Sequoyah lodge for M Men and Gleaner girls. (Weiner roast included).

AUGUST INSTITUTE

An August institute, for workers in all ward and stake organizations, on teaching methods, use of visual aids, and department activities will open Wednesday, August 4, sponsored by the Oakland Stake MIA boards. An invitation will be extended to all LDS organizations to participate in the general subjects and discussions, and in the special sessions on aids to teachers and leaders.

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Four Stake S. S. Convention Thrills

"Making the Gospel Effective in the Lives of Latter-day Saints" was the theme of the 1948 Regional Sunday School convention held June 20 in the Oakland ward chapel for Berkeley, San Francisco, Palo Alto and Oakland stakes. General sessions were conducted by Oakland Stake Superintendent Leonard J. Lyon.

Representing the Sunday School General Board, from Salt Lake City, were Richard E. Folland, executive secretary; Garrit De Jonge, Leland H. Monson, Inez Witbeck, and Margaret Ipson. G. William Richards of Berkeley was in charge of music for the institute; and Reed G. Probst and Elsie W. Ramsden of Palo Alto assisted in conducting sessions.

Themes discussed and illustrated interestingly were: "Moral Needs and Problems of Our Stakes;" "An Analysis of Sunday School's Opportunity to Solve Moral Needs and Problems of Our Stakes;" "Setting the Stage for the Illustrated Presentation;" "Understanding Human Behavior;" "Influencing Human Behavior Through a Sunday School Lesson;" and "Influencing Human Behavior Thru Effective Teaching of the Gospel."

Berkeley Stk. News

MARGARITE FIFE

The Second Quorum of Elders, (Richmond and East Richmond Wards) has just completed approximately two and one-half weeks of watchman duty at the Stake Welfare dismantling project, and in helping Claremont Ward. Participating also were Seventies, and Adult Aaronic Priesthood members, in addition to two non-church members. This Quorum has a supply of fine hammers, which may be purchased at a substantial saving for $1.50 from Antone Clark, who is in charge of Welfare construction.

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Joaquin Miller Park was the scene of a family picnic Friday, June 25, when members of the Fourth Quorum of Elders and their families enjoyed an evening of fun at the historic beauty spot.

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According to Francis H. Leavitt, Seventh Quorum of Elders president, the Blood Bank project at Alta Bates Hospital is proving to be very successful. Just recently the Relief Society benefited greatly from the contributions. About fifty per cent of the Quorum members have given time to date on the Stake Welfare building project.

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All ward Relief Society organizations throughout the Stake are working on their Welfare projects as usual this summer, from 10 o'clock until 4, at the second meeting of each month, the time is spent sewing for the budget.

A Relief Society convention is forthcoming, and will be held some time in the late summer.

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Summer Primary programs throughout the Stake are proving to be of real enjoyment and value to our youngsters. The topic of activities are the Indian Mission, Islands of the Pacific, and the Scandanavian countries; their habits, stories and missionary experiences concerning them. Parents are urged by Stake Primary President Annetta V. Wood, to send their children to Primary and let them take part in these foreign "visits."

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Members of Stake High Priests Quorum and their wives are urged to keep in mind July 22—the fourth Thursday in July—when a meeting and social will be held for all at Martinez ward. President Heber Ellsworth promises an enjoyable affair, beginning at 8 p. m.

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Brother Fred R. Anderson, of the High Priests' presidency, recently is improving at his home.

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The Berkeley Stake MIA held an enjoyable joint board meeting in the very impressive setting of Berkeley's Cazadero Redwood Camp over the week end of June 19 and 20. The camp is under the management of Clifton Boyack ,YMMIA superintendent, and the outing was at his instigation. After the board meeting everyone was invited to participate in games of baseball, horseshoes, badminton, ping-pong, and swimming.

BERKELEY'S NEW HIGH COUNCILOR

Timothy Morley, Jr., former Bishop of Richmond ward, and currently secretary of the stake welfare committee, was sustained May 16, 1948, as an alternate member of the stake high council.

A Richmond resident from about age four, Elder Morley completed his formal education with graduation from the Richmond high school, and then began a career as clerical worker until circumstances justified him in devoting his entire time in managing and servicing his own and his mother's apartment and commercial properties in various parts of Richomand.

In 1941 Elder Morley married in the Salt Lake Temple Lucy R. Palmer of Grantsville to whom he had been first introduced by Selden Millward while Lucy was visiting friends in the East Bay. Three lovely daughters now grace that union. Faithful services as S. S. secretary, ward clerk, Bishop's counselor, and then bishop are the steps that have led naturally to the new call into the stake high council.

CLAREMONT WARD CHAPEL TO BE FIRST

The stake finance committee has recommended that the first chapel to be erected under the new unified stake building program shall be that of Claremont ward. A lot is already owned by the ward, and plans to suit that lot are now ready and approved. However, further study is being given the desirability of the site on the scores of size and parking space.

NAPA WARD SELLS OLD SITE

Napa ward has sold that ward's former site for a chapel, and the orchard. Terms are said to be very favorable. As previously reported a more desirable site has been selected and purchased.

INTERSTAKE TABERNACLE SITE

The interstake tabernacle site on MacArthur Boulevard is currently undergoing further study, and some consideration is being given possible alternate sites so situated that Claremont ward might build a chapel thereon.

The newly proposed viaduct along MacArthur adjacent to the presently-owned tabernacle site, has seemed to make desirable further study as to the effect such a highway may have upon the utility and general desirability of the site in question. However, all hope that a decision will not be delayed beyond the minimum time required for careful consultation and deliberation.

WORK ON STAKE WELFARE CENTER

Some of the salvaged lumber and other materials are available for purchase by the members as needed: sheet rock and rock wool for insulating (very efficient and in good quantity); hardwood flooring (oak, full thickness); windows, doors, two bathtubs, toilets, washbowls, two large gas furnaces. Get in touch with Timothy Morley, Jr., Richmond 7078.

Martinez ward welfare building has a roof now and the cement floor is completed.

Walnut Creek is getting 30 drying trays prepared, and asulphur house for fruit drying, and is starting the production of honey.

Conference Schedules

August 21-22: Gridley Stake.
August 28-29: Berkeley Stake.

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Vallejo Ward News

Members of the Vallejo ward have been very active in the stake building program during the past two months assisting in the demolishing of the two-story dormitory at Richmond. The work is now shifting to the building of the new stake welfare building located in El Cerrito. A very up-to-date canning unit is hoped for completion in time for canning this fall. In order to meet our ward quota of labor it will be necessary for everyone to lend a helping hand. All those who will help, please contact Otto Mathews at 3-7013 or Edward Hollander at 2-8493.

Primary graduates presented an interesting program at recent Sunday evening services, each graduate giving a memorized part of the Articles of Faith. Sandra Stonehawker who now resides in Guam, and Carl Stevens were the first to accomplish this task. They were given Books of Mormon. Graduates from Vallejo ward included Mildred Mathews, Joyce Ellis, Thella Mae Hamlin, Marion Hart, Tom Sowards and Carl Stevens.

At an impressive candlelight ceremony, assistant Scout Master Robert Kelly of Troop 19, presided over a Court of Honor on June 18. The following Scouts received promotions and awards: Richard Tomlinson, junior assistant scout master, first class Scout; Kenneth Sorensen, senior patrol leader, first class Scout; Raymond Neerings, quartermaster; Vernon Ingham, troop scribe, first class Scout; Duane Williams, patrol leader, first class scout; Robert Allison, patrol leader; Paul Williams, assistant patrol leader first class Scout; Ronald Tomilinson, second class Scout. Jay and John Fitt, Bruce Olsen, Newal Standley, Boyd Newman are now Tenderfoot Scouts.

Sunday School Superintendent and Mrs. Vern Newman, are rejoicing over the arrival of their first child, David Penn, who arrived June 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Lambert of Corvallis, Oregon, and formerly of Vallejo, visited old friends in Vallejo recently, and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Williams.

We want Mr. and Mrs. E. Z. Taylor, who are both ill, to know how happy we will be when they are well and back with us again.—LaRue A. Powell, 20 Kirkland St., Vallejo. Phone 2-5294

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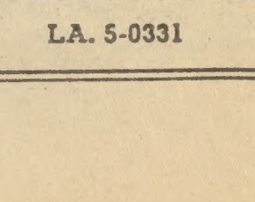

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News From "The Church News"

(It is proper to acknowledge gratitude to the enlarged "Church News" for items below. The weekly comes by mail for only $3.00 the year).

"To be passively a member of the Church is no assurance of celestial exaltation. We must work out our salvation, and that means activity in the Church"—Editorial May 20, 1948.

"I entreat you to be chaste. . . . Young people, may I directly entreat you to be chaste? Please believe me when I say that chastity is worth more than life itself. . . . Better die chaste than live unchaste."—J. Reuben Clark.

June 2, 1874, one hundred Goshute Indians were baptized by William Lee in Deep Creek, Tooele county, Utah, there being a general religious movement among the Lamanites. By July, 1875, more than 2000 Indians had been baptized.

Ten Salt Lake valley stakes have joined together in the erection of the new 25,000-bushel grain elevator in Murray.

"The really important things in life are relatively few. There is your body, family, property, and relationships to God and fellowman . . . . If you invest your bodies with spiritual qualities you will know that you cannot pollute your bodies without conscious offense to your self-respect and your Creator."—Stephen L. Richards at USAC commencement.

"God is a Father,
Man is a Brother,
Life is a mission
And not a career!"

Quoted by above speaker who commented, "There can be no fraternity without paternity, that is in a genetic sense. Without the complete recognition of the Fatherhood of God, there is little hope of filial obligation and community of interest among his children."

A green welfare family record card has been filled out and is up to date in the South Salt Lake Stake, and "to my knowledge this is the only stake in the Church to reach this achievement," commented Roscoe W. Eardley.

Moapa stake in Nevada produced 150,000 tomato plants, and shipped them in late May to stake welfare project leaders throughout Utah and Idaho.

How many Melchizedek priesthood members are there in a Church of one million? The answer is found in The Church News of May 30, and is 128,663, of which 27,000 are H. P., 17,000 Seventy, and 73,000 Elders.

Since one of the factors of juvenile delinquency is unsupervised leisure time, the Primary will keep going all year from now on. A help to parents too.

Chartering a bus and also travelling by personal cars, 85 members of the Wiltshire ward genealogical society and the ward choir attended two St. George temple sessions and then gave a grand concert in the St. George Tabernacle recently. Good recreation and vacation, and Church work all in one.

The Sugar House choir in Salt Lake city traveled to American Falls, Idaho 45 strong and furnished the music for the Sunday evening services. The trip was by chartered bus, and the Idaho folks did the honors as hosts to the visitors.

Two busses were chartered by the South Los Angeles stake YMMIA for the June conference of MIA in Salt Lake. One bus returned immediately after the sessions, and the other remained one day to allow for those who could stay and do temple work.

"Every musician who serves in the Church should approach his task very much as who preaches a sermon or offers a prayer, that is, with the thought of building spirituality and increasing faith"- Editorial, June 6.

The Oregon flood at Vanport was cushioned for 29 of the 37 LDS families believed living in the federal housing project there. The local welfare facilities were augmented by two large shipments via huge trucks from Salt Lake. All listed members were accounted for quickly and assisted in every way, and will be guided back to normal living.

A fifteen page cannery bulletin has just been issued by the Gen. Church Welfare Committee, 19 West So. Temple Street, Salt Lake. It will be the guide to the Welfare cannery operators. Directions for every fruit and vegetable canning is given.

A mile of fencing around the forty acre farm of Pioneer stake, Salt Lake city was recently completed by ninety two priesthood

S. F. Stake Holds Open House New Welfare Center

The San Francisco Stake invited its friends to attend the open house at their new Bishops' Store House and Welfare Center, Washington and Dunk Streets in Colma, Wednesday, June 9, 1948.

The Mormon Welfare Plan was demonstrated, including its production activities, especially the wood shop and R. S. activities.

In its spacious and attractive new building the open house was a delight to the many callers, including the Berkeley stake presidency and the Messenger editor. It is a great achievement for San Francisco stake, and an inspiration to all Northern California.

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leaders in one evening.

Some California stakes reaching the suggested 25 percent minimum at sacrament meetings for the quarter ending March 31 are: San Francisco, 33 per cent; South Los Angeles, 30 per cent; Sacramento, 27 percent. Seatle had 28 percent for the period.

Archibold F. Bennett, secetary of the Salt Lake Genealogical Seciety is again to visit all the coutries of Europe to increase the micro-filming that is speedily going forward in many of the nations simultaneously .

The man in Grace, Idaho who has served as Lion's club president, Idaho Lion's club vice-president, secetary and then president of the county Fair board, president of the county teacher's association, and vice-president of the fifth district Idaho Educational assocation, principal and famed coach of the high school is also stake president of Bannock stake, Idaho. His name is Milton Hartvigsen, whose life story and picture appears in the June 6 "Church News".

Plates of pure gold as thin as ordinary paper "which are centuries old, and which now are preserved at the Indian Museum in New York city were recently studied and handled by President Levi Edgar Young, of the First Council of Seventy.

"Missionary prospects are bright in the French mission. Elders have more appointments than they can keep, and many of them hold as many as three cottage meetings a day", reports Pres. Alma Sonne of the European Mission.

The June 6 "Church News" shows in a large picture the Dimond ward class of nine girls who were all "Honor Bees", at the recent Swarm Night held there.

Bishop and Mrs. Arthur S. Haymore of Mesa ward, Arizona, witnessed fourteen family temple marriges as a fitting climax to the celebration of their golden wedding aniversay. They are the parents of 15 children; 53 grand children and 13 greatgrand children add to their honor.

The Children's Friend has been enlarged in size and now enjoys a circulation of 40,000 with prospects of having fifty thousand by the time the magazine if fifty years old, 1952.

The General Authorities will take a vacation from holding stake conferences after June 26 and 27 until August 14 and 15, 1948.

Joseph L. Wirthlin of the presiding bishop's office has been in Canada inspecting the recently acquired ranch formerly belonging to the Knight Sugar company.

Idea Exchange

By GORDON BECKSTEAD.

(Constructive suggestions of any kind are welcomed, including ideas which have already been tried out with success in the wards. They will be forwarded to Church departments or to people who can put them to work. Because of space limitations published ideas are usually edited. Credit will be given to the person and ward unless otherwise requested. Please send contributions to 1612 Spruce Street, Berkeley.)

1. The task of bringing out of the basement and returning hundreds of chairs for the recreation hall, as in Berkeley ward, is very great. New chapels should provide easier access to stored chairs. One solution is to have trap doors along the borders of the recreation hall which lead directly to storage space. (Since many new chapels are planned for the near future we solicit ideas designed to make chapels more adequate.)

2. Color movies of temple interiors and exteriors, with appropriate commentary, might do much to stimulate interest in temple excursions among members who live at considerable distance from our temples.

3. A carefully prepared "quiz" concerning scripture or doctrine might provide an interesting variation in or supplement to the usual ward teacher's message. Questions need not be difficult and some should be adjusted to knowledge of the children. Such an approach would probably not be appropriate for inactive members.

4. A weekly mimeographed letter containing a message from the Bishopric and announcements for the work is mailed to each family in our ward. In addition to creating interest in ward activities, this letter provides a continuous check on changes of address. A special rubber stam transfers to each envelope a request for the postmaster to report changes of address, for which service the sender agrees to pay (costs only two cents).

—Don Taylor, San Jose Ward.

5. Missionaries in the field cannot get to everyone and all must hear the truth. Why not a missionary paper for the people of the world to be open for subscriptions, or to be on sale where crowds of people mingle and are searching for "something" while waiting for a train, bus, etc?—Fern Mosier, Martinez Ward. (The Christian Science Monitor has become known and respected the world over for excellence in newspaper reporting .Such a venture is missionary work; we achieve similar results with our Tabernacle Choir. Perhaps we have not exhausted the possibilities in this field.)

6. A very successful innovation at one of our ward conferences might well be tried out by other wards. The head of each auxiliary and spouse were invited to a pot luck dinner after the conference. In the presence of stake officers, all were permitted to bear their testimonies, to state attitudes toward their work, and to point out good or bad points in stake and ward activities. A very fine spirit prevailed and outcomes were felt to be quite valuable.—Don Taylor, San Jose Ward. (A copy of the San Jose Ward Messenger-Bulletin is on file at 1612 Spruce St., Berkeley, for anyone interested.)

7. I think one of the most amazing things in the Church is the amount of whispering done by adults during services. Forgiving little children isn't hard, but with adults it is a different matter. Perhaps a church-wide class in audience education would profit us all.

—Gloria Magleby

The 80,000 acres will be operated by the Church as a cattle ranch for about 5,000 head of cattle. It is 23 miles from Raymond, Canada.

Denver stake includes the wards in Denver, Pueblo, Ft. Collins, Laramie and Cheyenne, having 3,062 members. A new $40,000 Bishop's Store house for the stake has recently been dedicated by president Smith.

The missionary methods training class at the B. Y.U. numbering 85, actually goes out to the wards and stakes nearby and does missionary work and holds cottage meeting in cooperation with the local missionary leaders.

Work began June 7 on the actual installation of the new additions to the Tabernacle organ in Salt Lake. It will be ready for the October conference. A smaller temporary organ is serving in the mean time.

The branch of the Church at Palmyra, New York has recently purchased a chapel for their use in that city where the Book Mprmon was published.

Richmond Ward

Our ward teaching program has been reorganized. Ernest E. Bourne is the new director, with William, Timothy Morley, Jr., and Morion Bledsoe as district supervisors.

The following message is from Brother Bourne:

"As outlined by the first presidency, ward teaching is one of the major functions of the Church. The bishopric is giving excellent support and it is felt that this program has a high precedence in the ward functions. An efficiently operating ward teaching program will prosper each and every organization within the ward. It is the Lord's work. It must be done. It can be done. IT WILL BE DONE! The Relief Society is holding regular "work day" meetings the second Tuesday of each month, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. A pot luck lunch is served.

The summer program for the Primary is held every Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. Beth Pierce has been sustained as chorister and Georgia White as teacher.

The special interest MIA class lead by Lucille Thomson held a very successful pot luck supper June 18. Plans are now under way for an outside event for the class. All invited to come and enjoy themselves.

The Bee Hive Girls, under the direction of Essie Carmen, are meeting weekly. One of their projects recently included a day of cleaning in the ward chapel. Several hard working students and others in the ward are enjoying a long vacation from the grind. Included in this group are the Howard Pierces, Clyde Sullivans, Burtus Cases and Adele Trottier.

The Leonard Harrises have moved into their new home in El Cerrito. Congratulations to the family.

Local Genealogists

Local LDS who are more or less expert as genealogists and who are ever willing to assist when called upon include Lenore Hill, Ash. 3-10440, 1632½ Delaware street, Berkeley; Sister Hill will be in Los Angeles early this summer and would do research in the library there; Mrs. Leone Dailey, 2920 Grove street, Oakland 9, TEmplebar 2-6174; Mrs. Clyda A. (Mary) Russell, 3737 Coolidge avenue, Oakland 2, KELlogg 2-0426; and Mrs. Minnie (Frank B.) Ellsworth, 1 Kingsland Place, Oakland, KELlogg 2-5221.

These sisters act without recompense and just for the love of the work. However, in the case of Sister Hill, she would undertake rather intensive research if desired at a reasonable arrangement ,as for instance the work in Los Angeles.

This list is made available at the request of William H. Evans, chairman Oakland genealogical committee. Others who wish to may send in their names to be added to the list.

✣ A workable seeding machine for Muscat raisins was developed before 1880.

✣ Californa's 1947 sardine pack dropped to 1,712,494 cases, less than half that of many seasons.

Helen Burdett, Lady Missionary of Claremont, Writes Experiences

Writing May 24, 1948, from 1922 Lee Avenue, Huntington, West Virginia, Helen Burdett, active in stake Gleaner Girl work before leaving for her mission, gives a few highlights in a letter asking for a change of address on her copies of the Messenger.

"The mission field," she declares, "is a wonderful place . . . the members, everyone, are almost too good to the missionaries . . . and the people as a whole are friendly . . . all in all, it is very interesting and very educational. If I didn't know what I believed and why I believed it before I left home, I surely do now. My testimony has been strengthened one hundred fold.

"This truly is the restored Church, and I know it as well as that I am writing this letter, and nothing can ever cause me to lose that testimony.

"Thru it all, news from home is still looked for, and the Messenger not only gives news of my home ward but of the other wards, and our wonderful stake. I read it from first to last, and whoever is with me at the time of receipt has to hear a good portion of how "Zion" is growing.

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✣ There are three zones in Chile, the arid northern area, the agricultural zone in the center and the forest zone in the south.

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A Visit To LDS Business People In East Oakland

The day was perfect, the driver genial and capable, the time ample for the job without rushing, and the business people busy but most courteous-so mark for us a delightful experience that Saturday, June 19, when with George Bain, the Messenger circulation manager, at the wheel we drove out of Berkeley and headed for East Oakland.

Going down College avenue afforded a glimpse at the new store of Millward Brothers, for their meat and grocery business, where the "grand opening" is announced for July 9 or 10. It's across the street from their old corner location. It's new with the newest of modern fixtures. In case you don't know, the new number will be 2912 College avenue, Berkeley, a half block south of Ashby avenue.

Following down College avenue at 5601 College Avenue we found Herb VanNoy at the curb in his car just going into his really metropolitan sized hardware store operating under the name of Maltby and Van Noy. As Herb showed us about the huge stock, we marveled how he ever "finds time to breathe", what with the many details that must be involved in managing not only that great store but the equally large store he operates at 1855 Solano avenue, Berkeley, and the fine hardware center located at 1919 Webster street, Alameda. But he does it, and apparently with the greatest of ease. And success. And besides, he can find time to act as president of the Liahona Club, the local LDS businessmen's dinner and discussion organization, Herb also fathers a fine household, and is active in the Dimond Ward.

Turning east on MacArthur Boulevard our next stop was at the Olympic Floral Company operated by our old and good friends of Dimond ward, Ira B. and Chlo Call. With a great lath house display of "flats" of bedding plants ready to go into your garden, "potted" plants like fuchias, and all kinds of shrubs and trees, the beautiful display inside the store is all the more lovely. There are seen the beautiful blooms for funeral, wedding and gift pieces which is the main business of Ira and Chlo,a service that fortunately is available for us all simply for a phone call, whather the delivery is for local purposes or for some purpose in any part of the country.

As we continued along MacArthur Boulevard and noted the neat Dimond ward chapel grounds as we passed Dimond Avenue, we then sped across Fruitvale Avenue to what is perhaps the largest and finest place of business of any LDS in the east bay region. We refer to Manton Moody's ultra modern Hillcrest Motel on the eminence at 2400 MacArthur. After a visit there, one no longer wonders how the high class trade is willing to come again and again and pay the same rates as they meet at the finer hotels in San Francisco. The elevated site allows lovely vistas of the whole sweep of Oakland from the hills to the estuary. We didn't take time that Saturday to again visit the Brookside Trailer Court at 8519 MacArthur which Manton still operates, his and the late Van Moody's first operation, but we learned that it still goes strong as does also Moody Brothers trailer sales lot at 206 San Pablo, ElCerrito.

We turned off MacArthur at 38 Avenue, to call on Curt Bybee and Art Bliss, the first of Maxwell Park ward, the latter of Oakland ward, at their fine realty office at 2808 38th Avenue. This happy and busy real estate duet have distinguished themselves for unselfish service to people. Integrity seems to be their watchword, service their motto. With that standard, consistent prosperity must follow. It does. Curt pointed out that recently they have moved a $36 000 market on East 14th Street, between Hayward and San Leandro, have sold Glen Elliott a home at 1076 Arthur Street, San Leandro. (This means a new caretaker for the Oakland chapel), and have sold the home of Glen Bennett, painting contractor, who is moving to Eldora county.

From 38th Avenue and the realty office of Bybee and Bliss we drove along Foothall to the chiropractic offices of Dr. A. K. Bramwell at 5380 Foothill. The doctor was very busy at his calling but he found time to greet us heartily and to wish the Messenger the best of success.

At 5836 Foothill we called at the familiar jewelry store of our faithful friend, Don J. Allphin, and his son, Lawrence. Notable are a shift of interior that allows more room for working tables and equipment but the front of the store is aglitter with fine display cases of sparkling jewelry of all kinds, including the most beautiful diamonds we have ever seen. Don was just preparing for a vacation in Lake County, but he stopped and chatted about business and the Maxwell ward of which he is a member besides being president of the High Priest quorum. We learned that the ward has just completed purchase of a corner on their building lot now giving a plot 108 feet by 193 feet for a fine chapel which they hope to have ready by next spring.

We drove to that excellent plot on Harmon and 55th Avenue and can say that it is a worthy site for the purpose, level and ample in size, on a corner and with intersecting streets such that parking will be rather convenient.

Our next call was at the Conklin Shoe Repair Shop owned by John O. Krage where orthopedic work is expertly done besides the usual repair work. This unusual shoe shop is at 5858 Foothill in the same block with Don Allphin's jewelry store. Adjoining the shoe repair shop is also a fine new shoe store, and the partition between them has been removed, so that you have a complete shoe service in one. Brother Krage also finds time to serve Maxwell ward as assistant ward clerk.

Driving now to 14th Street and toward the center of business Oakland, we finally came to the last call of the morning, the blanket store of William H. Evans at 4016 East 15 Street. Will was not at the store, being on a business trip in northern California, but Zelnora, his good wife, was there to greet us in her hearty way and with abundant words of praise for the Messenger and what it is trying to accomplish. The Wm. H. Evans blanket agency has built up a great business, offering both wholesale and retail selections in great array and Will has found time for fine leadership in the Liahona club and many other forward movements, besides his H. C. duties.

Pittsburg Ward

The apricots are on! Another year in the apricot orchard in Brentwood is in full swing. Days and evenings are being spent by the members of the Brentwood Branch and Pittsburg ward gathering the harvest for the welfare plan. Many have been shipped to the east coast, and the remainder will be "cut and dried" for sale here. Anyone interested in buying them can come and "pick and buy" for the amazing price of 3 cents a pound.

Two bridal showers have been held recently in Pittsburg ward. One for the former Gloria Roche who is now Mrs. Fred Faerber, and the other for Mrs. La Var Dansie, the former Ermel Park. Gloria was married in the Salt Lake Temple on June 25, while Ermel became Mrs. Dansie on June 5 in Salt Lake.

Three babies have been added to the records of the ward. The first is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Eyling, born on June 6. Then comes the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burns Magleby, making her appearance on June 8.

The J. D. Steadmans are the recipients of the latest baby—a girl, born on June 24. (The only thing that is rather alarming about the situation is that there is already a man shortage!)

Of interest to many members of the stake is the news that another baby has made its way into the world—the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Lemmon now of Salt Lake but formerly of Pittsburgh. She was born on June 20.

A Pittsburgh ward picnic was held on July 2 for the members of the ward and of Brentwood branch. Games were played near the chapel until 8 p.m., and then dinners were devoured at the Pittsburg Park. A program and singing ended the evening.

News that our chapel will be equipped soon with all the modern conveniences, the most necessary of which will be that new invention, electric light, is most heartening to Pittsburg Saints. No more gas lamps for us!

She Brought Her Box of Alabaster

She brought her box of alabaster;
The precious spikenard filled the room
With honor worthy of the Master,
A costly, rare and rich perfume.

Her tears for sin fell hot and thickly
On His dear feet, outstretched and bare;
Unconscious how, she wiped them quickly
With the long ringlets of her hair.

Oh may we thus, like loving Mary,
Ever our choicest offerings bring,
Nor grudging of our toil, nor chary
Of costly service to our King.

I bring my box of alabaster,
Of earthly loves I break the shrine,
And pour affections, purer, vaster,
On that dear head, those feet of thine.

I bring my box of alabaster;
Accepted let the offering rise!
So grateful tears shall fall the faster,
In founts of gladness from mine eyes!

—C. L. Ford.

Martinez Ward

Patriarch and Mrs. Henry L. Peterson, of Napa, were the speakers for the sacrament meeting on June 27. Brother Peterson encouraged each of us to study often, and live for, our Patriarchial blessing; and when we fulfill a blessing to ask for another, thereby enriching our lives thru the promises given us by our Heavenly Father.

Sister Peterson's message was especially for the young folks, emphasizing our previous spiritual existence. She brought to mind the many outside influences that may lead one to stray from the path of righteousness; encouraging all to study and to "know the truth and it will make you free." We are looking forward to more visits from these good people in the near future.

A reception was held Friday, June 25, in the Martinez ward chapel, honoring Lieutenant and Mrs. Wm. D. Farnsworth, (Glenona Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Robison), following a Temple marriage in Mesa, Arizona. The newlyweds plan to live in San Diego for the present time. There were over 80 guests in attendance.

The Dan Drumiler's announce the arrival of their second daughter on June 27. Mrs. Drumiler's sister is visiting them in their home at Cowell.

Terry Marvin Sarter was born June 10; the third son and child of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund F. Carter.

The Ira Markham's recently returned from Cedar City, Utam, and points north after visiting with each of their families.

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Gustive O. Larson

L. D. S. Book Wins National Attention

"Prelude to the Kingdom," by Gustive O. Larson, won national attention in reviews as an objective study of early Mormon immigration and cooperative experiments. The author, director of the LDS Institute of Religion at Cedar City, Utah, was formerly president of the Swedish Mission, and was superintendent of Sunday Schools and MIA of the California Mission fro 1921 to 1924 when it included California, Nevada and Arizona. Director Larson is at present staying at the International House in Berkeley where he is attending the Family Life Training Center at the U. C. summer school.

"Prelude to the Kingdom," said to have received more favorable reviews to date than any book written by a Utahan and published recently by Marshall Jones Company of New Hampshire, is welcomed by Mormon and non-Mormon alike. Dr. Lewis Browne, well known American writer and lecturer, comments, "I consider the work one of the most informative. . . Mr. Larson writes with rare competence and objectivity."

The Christian Century, published in Chicago, said, "The whole is an exciting chapter in American History well worthy of the competent treatment Mr. Larson has given it." The reviewer in Utah Humanities Review asserted that "it comes closer to being the definitive work on Mormon migrations than any study which has yet appeared."

Among LDS Church and Utah leaders to praise the book are Dr. John A. Widsoe who wrote the foreword, Church Historian Joseph Fielding Smith, U. S. Senator Elbert D. Thomas and President Howard McDonald of the BY. Dean Milton Bennion wrote in the Instructor, "It is a fitting follow-up of "Joseph Smith, An American Prophet," by John Henry Evans. Both are written primarily for non-members, yet both may be read with great prophet and interest by all Latter-day Saints." Students of the present Church Welfare Plan will find it invaluable as an historical background.

(Brother Larson and The Messenger editor have enjoyed renewing an old friendship, but are still undecided how much of Gustive's life success has been due to the fact that he was a student of the editor years ago at Granite High School, Utah.

Berkeley Stake's New Missionaries

New missionaries, set apart on May 12, 1948, included:

Vallejo District: Robert W. Allison, Ralph R. Alvine, Arthur R. Harvey, Ward B. Ingham, Chloris I. Kincaid, Carl E. Kincaid, and Vernal F. Lewis.

Richmond District: Frederick N. Chester, Marion Bledsoe, Kenneth P. Gengler, Clyde Kleckner, Leo L. Stewart, Mildred Zweifel.

Claremont District: Amelia Bird, Carl E. Gailbraith, Christa P. Hatt.

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Liahona Club News

The Liahona Club met at their monthly dinner-program session Monday, June 28, 1948, at Valentine's on east 14th street, Oakland, Curt Bybee conducting the program.

The speaker of the evening was Robert Kahn, comptroller of Smith's stationery store in Oakland, a speaker endorsed by the Oakland Chamber of Commerce. A graduate of Stanford and the Harvard School of Business, Mr. Kahn served during the was as a major in the army for two years in Persian Gulf Command getting supplies through to Russia. Four and one-half million tons of cargo were handled there, including 50,000 vehicles and 4,000 first-line aircraft.

There he became well acquainted with the Russian state of mind, finding the individual Russian very much like the Americans, but as a Russian soldier or officer cold, suspicious, grasping, and thankless, weighted down with the strictest discipline and subservency to autocratic authority. The death penalty was meted out to the driver for over $100 destructive accident to a truck, for instance.

Mr. Kahn pointed out cases of espionage even while they were supposed to be our allies, and he also surveyed the various possibilities of neutralizing the Russian cold war, coming to the rather surprising conclusion that nothing will work in the long run, and that therefore the only thing open to the U. S. is an aggressive action.

The club members enjoyed a period of free discussion of the topic and nearly all took part in the spirited and illuminated open forum.

Curt Bybee stressed the point of all inviting all the members to come out and enjoy the fellowship and stimulation of these fine monthly dinner-discussion sessions.

Pittsburg Youths

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of distinction for Calvin. He is active in Lamda Delta Sigma at U. C., as well as being a valuable member of the Pittsburg ward.

Stanley Hunt, a graduate of Antioch high school class of 1948, was recently rewarded with one of the highest ratings given at the District Music Festival held in Oakland. For the outstanding qualities of his singing, Stanley was given a rating of 1 by two judges and a 1-plus rating by another. Stanley is Ward secretary of the YMMIA, a member of the priests' quorum, and M-Men President.

Le Roi B. Gardner and Harold R. Gaisford Join Claude T. Lindsey Co.

Perhaps the chief realty news of the month is that two of the leaders in Berkeley ward and stake have joined the fast growing home buiding firm of Claude T. Lindsey Company of San Francisco. LeRoi B. Gardner has become director of advertising and general salesmanager for the firm's large developments at Modesto, Tracy, Gilroy, Morgan Hill, South San Francisco, Newark, and latest at Walnut Creek.

Harold R. Gaisford has accepted the appointment as Contra Costa Branch manager and is currently concerned with the sale of ninety new homes that are just starting at the beautiful site known as Diablo Gardens located one mile east of the Danville Road, and 1½ miles south of Walnut Creek. Paul Hammarberg, Berkeley landscape architect, is designing the homesite and will have full charge of its landscape beautification. Every success to Roy and Harold and to the fine Lindsey men heading the Claude T. Lindsey firm, all active LDS.

Oscar Kirkham

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"Get your own home you young people as soon as you can. It may take you 28 years to pay for it as it did for me, but I remember when we had a very happy family celebration and finally burned the mortgage. O, how happy we were.

"A LDS service boy was in San Francisco and going with the 'gang' up a dark alley and into the back door of a wild, drinking dance. As he stepped into that light-flooded, smoke-laden room he suddenly saw in his mind the home circle when they had all kneeled when he left home and his father had prayed that God would be with the son 'in the hour of temptation.' He turned on his heels, left that room, and literally ran from that alley and its sinful corruptions. His memory of home had saved him. . . .

"Destiny is with youth, so let them have their faith and their opportunities. . . .

"Great movements are slowly coming forward for peace, for brotherhood, for understanding. For instance, the 32,000 Boy Scouts at the recent Paris Jamboree had understandings and fellowship, without having common languages. It was a 'fraternity of nations,' that meeting in Paris to show how youth will help bring the dawning of a new day for mankind.

"Religion played a great part in that Jamboree and it will be able to help us build toward this new day.

"How fine it will be if one day men and women can learn to say, above party, above politics, 'God Bless America."

Conference Briefs

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ed and pampered generation."—Pres. Delbert F. Wright.

"Knowledge in the head, feeling in the heart, skill in the hands will help us live our religion, and united must lead us into Truth."—Dr. Milton P. Ream of the H. C.

"The Church has given us the 'family hour,' and it is our privilege to make this Home Night a sanctifying influence in our homes."—Hilda Perkins, Pres. of Stake Relief Society.

"In these days of spending closer to 100 per cent of our time for food ,shelter and clothing, it is most important that we recognize the greater fact that we are eternal. It is vital that we spend a greater amount of time to develop spirituality and a testimony of the gospel."—Dr. Emery R. Ranker, Berkeley Stake Presidency.

Paul Braby Completes Great Installations

President Paul Braby of the Berkeley stake mission has just completed supervision of the General Electric installations at the huge new Columbia steel mill at Pittsburg, California.

This highly technical operation has taken his time daily for the past three months Elder Braby has found it necessary to live at Pittsburg. Included was the electrical machinery for five-stand cold-mill processing and manufacturing lines. This process is for making the tin plate from steel and plating it with zinc so that it may be turned into tin cans for California's enormous canning demands.

These many confining duties and calls upon the time of Brother Braby have made his missionary direction difficult, but from now on things are to be different. Our stake missionaries are glories to the stake. Every blessing attend their labors of love and enlightment.

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William G. Banks Passes Suddenly

With the suddenness of lightning out of a clear sky, death came to William Glen Banks of the Berkeley stake high council, Sunday, July 4, 1948, at the Alta Bates hospital. Hospitalized less than a week as the result of an auto accident in Texas when he and his family were on the way to visit relatives, Elder Banks seemed to be progressing remarkably well, when after a hearty breakfast suddenly heart pains began and death speedily resulted as a blood clot moved up to the heart.

The funeral was held Thursday, July 8, and was attended by a great host of sympathetic friends of Will and Olenna Banks.

Born at Jacksonville, Texas, April 10, 1904, Will entered the U. S. navy after the first World War and served for about three years, or until 1925, when he worked in Seattle until he came to the east bay region in 1927. After meeting Olenna at a dance which Olenna and her father were attending, Will soon asked for the privilege of calling at the Christopherson home in Oakland. The spring of 1928 found Will Banks working for a trucking firm near Reno, and their marriage took place at Reno, May 11, 1928. Soon after the marriage they took residence in San Francisco where he worked for five years with trucking firms.

After moving to Oakland, Will became interested in the Church and accepted the Gospel in 1939, and soon thereafter opened his Furniture Exchange at 4316 Telegraph avenue where he has been busy until the time of the accident that resulted is his death.

Sister Banks feels that she will be unable to carry on the business and may be interested in disposing of it in the near future.

Besides the widow, Olenna Christopherson Banks, Brother Banks leaves Ronald Banks, age 13, and Sharlene Lundley, a niece age 17, who has made her home with the Banks for the past six years.

Brother Banks leaves an enviable record of able and devoted service to the Church, serving in various capacities of usefulness including the presidency of the stake high priests quorum, the welfare committee, and lately the high council, all in Berkeley stake, besides many activities in Oakland ward before the stake division.

Hearty, patient, wise, hard-working, devoted to Church and friends and family alike, Will G. Banks will be sadly missed by hundreds who knew and loved him.

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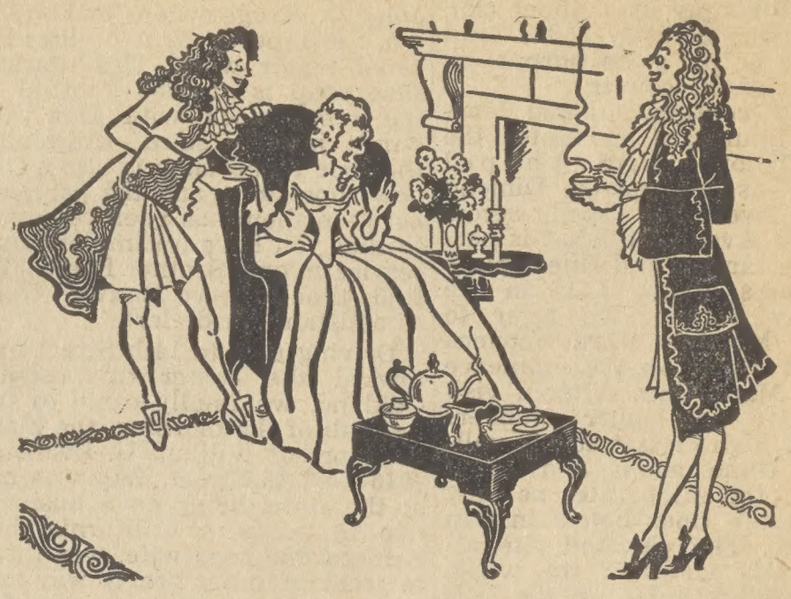

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